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SUBJ: SOVIET DISSIDENTS: VALENTIN MOROZ AND HIS (UNRELATED)

HOMOLOGUE

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1. ACCORDING TO SEVERAL RELIABLE DISSIDENT SOURCES, UKRAINIAN DISSIDENT VALENTIN MOROZ (REFTEL) HAS BEEN INCARCERATED IN A PSYCHIATRIC PRISON-HOSPITAL (LOCATION UNKNOWN) FOR AT LEAST THE LAST TWO MONTHS. HE IS NOT KNOWN TO HAVE BEEN SEEN BY ANYONE CLOSE TO THE DISSIDENT MOVEMENT DURING THAT TIME. IT IS THE CONSENSUS AMONG OUR DISSIDENT SOURCES THAT MOROZ WILL BE OUT OF CIRCULATION FOR A GOOD LONG TIME, IF HE IS IN FACT EVER RELEASED AT ALL. OUR SOURCES AGREE THAT THE AURHORITIES ARE LIKELY TO REPRESS MOROZ PARTICULARLY ACTIVELY.

2. DISCUSSIONS ABOUT MOROZ REVEALED THAT THERE ARE IN FACT TWO SEPARATE AND DISTINCT MOROZ SCANDALS, BOTH WELL KNOWN AMONG MOSCOW DISSIDENTS. THE SECOND MOROZ IS VALERIY AND IS NOT RELATED TO VALENTIN. HE IS A MUSICIAN AND IS VERY CLOSE TO
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PIANIST SVIATOSLAV RICHTER. IT IS GENERALLY

BELIEVED THAT THIS MOROZ IS A MOMOSEXUAL; RICHTER IS KNOWN TO BE ONE. THIS MOROZ, A MUSICIAN OF SOME NOTE, IS CURRENTLY IN PRISON FACING SERIOUS FOREIGN CURRENCY CHARGES. HE WAS ARRESTED WITH SOME \$50,000 IN VARIOUS "VALYUTA". OUR SOURCES STATE THAT THE GENERAL FEELING IS THIS IS BUT THE TIP OF THE ICEBERG; THAT MOSCOW'S MUSICAL ESTABLISHMENT IS ENGAGED IN MAJOR ILLEGAL FOREIGN CURRENCY TRANSACTIONS.

3. WE ARE TOLD THE AUTHORITIES HAVE THUS FAR WISHED TO KEEP THIS SECOND MOROZ CASE QUIET, PRIMARILY IN ORDER NOT TO LINK RICHTER WITH IT. AS ONE SOURCE SAID, "NOW THAT OISTRAKH IS DEAD AND ROSTROPOVICH HAS BEEN EXILED, RICHTER IS THE ONLY MAJOR RUSSIAN MUSICIAN LEFT."
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